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MEMORANDUM THRU Commanding General, United States Army  
Accessions Command, 90 Ingalls Road, Building 100, Fort Monroe,  
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SUBJECT: Revised Implementation Guidance for Warrior Tasks and  
Battle Drills (WTBD) in Advanced Individual Training (AIT)  
Courses

1. References:

a. Warrior Tasks and Battle Drills Implementation Plan,  
26 Jan 05.

b. Rifle Marksmanship Strategy for AIT Courses Longer  
Than Six Weeks, 16 May 05.

c. Training Support Package (TSP) for M2, 50-caliber  
machine gun, 15 Dec 05.

d. TSP for the MK 19, 40-mm Grenade Machine Gun, Model 3,  
15 Dec 05.

e. Fort Benning Director of Training 1998 Study on Rifle  
Marksmanship Skill Decay.

2. Purpose: To review Initial Entry Training (IET)  
requirements for WTBDs, Rifle Marksmanship, and Convoy Live  
Fire Exercises (CLFXs) in AIT, and to change ammunition  
authorizations for M2 and MK 19 familiarization firing in Basic  
Combat Training (BCT) and One Station Unit Training (OSUT).

3. General:

a. CG, TRADOC, directed a re-look of WTBDs in IET to  
determine relevancy to the contemporary operating environment  
(COE). Lessons learned from Operations Iraqi Freedom and  
Enduring Freedom (OIF/OEF) were reviewed along with FORSCOM

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pre-deployment and CENTCOM individual and collective training requirements to determine if changes to IET are warranted. Surveys of returning OIF/OEF Veterans provided helpful recommendations for sustaining and improving WTBDs. The decisions stemming from this re-look included consideration of current equipment fielding schedules and projected resource constraints through FY08.

b. The following changes to IET are directed:

(1) AIT Rifle Marksmanship Strategy. Based on the results of the 1998 Fort Benning Rifle Marksmanship (RM) Study, and as Advanced Rifle Marksmanship (ARM) resources become available, the requirement for all Soldiers to qualify on their individually assigned weapon during AITs six weeks in length and greater is rescinded. Effective immediately, all AIT courses 23 weeks and greater will continue to re-qualify with individually assigned weapon. Soldiers attending AIT courses lasting less than 23 weeks are no longer required to re-qualify.

(2) Not Later Than (NLT) 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY06 or as Engagement Skills Trainer (EST) 2000 fielding allows, all AITs will conduct ARM training using the EST 2000 or live-fire, at the Commandant's discretion, regardless of course length. Commandants will implement ARM training in AIT NLT than 4th Quarter FY06 or as EST 2000 fielding allows. ARM training will consist of target grouping (6 hours) and quick fire/reflexive fire (4 hours). The U.S. Army Infantry School will publish the AIT ARM Training Support Package (TSP) NLT 1 June 06.

(3) WT&BDs.

(a) Effective immediately, AIT is no longer required to conduct or report nine WTBDs, Task Numbers 7-15 (Correct malfunctions M2/M240B/M249/MK-19; Engage targets using night vision sights AN/PVS-4, AN/PAS-13, AN/TVS-5; Engage targets with aiming lights AN/PEQ-2A, AN/PAQ-4).

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(b) NLT 4th quarter FY06, or upon receipt of the EST 2000 suite(s), all AIT courses will use the EST 2000 to reinforce Task Numbers 3-6 (Engage targets with M240B, M249, M2, MK19).

(c) CG, United States Army Accessions Command (USAAC), has directed the formation of a team to review which WTBDs are applicable in BCT and OSUT. BCT and OSUT will continue to execute the WTBD as resources allow until further written guidance is issued.

(4) CLFXs. Effective immediately, weapons qualification will no longer be a condition of CLFX in AIT. AIT courses with less than 23 weeks are not required to re-qualify prior to participating in CLFXs since individual weapons qualification was achieved in BCT. All AIT Soldiers will receive preliminary marksmanship instruction and zero individually assigned weapons before conducting a CLFX.

(5) M2 and MK19 Ammunition. Effective immediately, BCT and OSUT will reduce the ammunition requirement for the M2 from 50 rounds to 36 rounds as outlined in FM 3-22.65 (Browning Machine Gun, Caliber .50 HB, M2). The ammunition requirement for the MK19 will be reduced from 18 rounds to 10 rounds as outlined in FM 3-22.27 (MK19, 40mm Grenade Machine Gun, MOD 3). This reduction will reflect the total rounds for both day and night fire.

#### 4. Responsibilities.

##### a. TRADOC, ODCSOPS&T.

(1) Individual Training Directorate, Initial Entry Training Division: Update web-based Warrior Tasks and Battle Drills tracking spreadsheets.

(2) Training Operation Management Activity (TOMA):

(a) Validate changes to all Course Administrative Data and POIs if required.

(b) Submit IET course requirements to the SMDR process.

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b. TRADOC, DCSPIL (Logistics):

(1) Coordinate authorized equipment fill requirements of Warrior and Battle Drills with ASA (ALT), HQDA, and Army Materiel Command.

(2) Continue coordinating and tracking additional equipment acquisition for IET.

(3) Provide guidance, as may be required, to redistribute any equipment no longer required as a result of this memorandum.

c. TRADOC Proponent Schools.

(1) Acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by contacting MAJ Donald Ellerthorpe, DSN 680-5934, ellerthorpedc@Monroe.army.mil.

(2) Update DCSOPS&T WTBD data base to reflect changes in training status of WTBD.

(3) Update POIs to reflect which WTBDs are being trained. Submit POIs to TRADOC, DCSOPS&T, Training Operation Management Activity (TOMA), for staffing and approval.

(4) Ensure TSPs accurately reflect resource requirements.

d. United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning.

(1) NLT 1 June 06, develop an AIT ARM TSP that details 6 hours of target grouping and 4 hours of quick fire/reflexive fire.

(2) Assist CASCOM in refining the DLFX TSP.

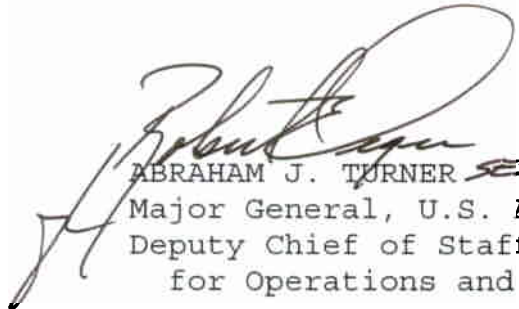
e. Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM). NLT 1 June 06, update the CLFX TSP to reflect individual weapons qualifications are not required in AIT if BCT qualification occurred within 23 weeks of the CLFX.

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